

Kauai, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1848.

Verily thus saith the Lord, unto you my servant Joseph, that inasmuch as you have received of my hand to ~~write~~ understand and receive of the Lord, justified my servants, Abraham Isaac and Jacob; and also, David and Solomon, my servants, as teaching the principle and doctrine of their having many wives and concubines: Behold! and lo, I am the Lord thy God, and will answer thee as touching this matter; Therefore, prepare thy heart to receive and obey the instructions which I am about to give unto you, for all those, who have this law revealed unto them, must obey the law; for behold! I reveal unto you a new and an everlasting covenant, and if ye abide by that covenant, then are ye sanctified, for no one can reject this covenant, and be permitted to enter into my glory; for all who will have a blessing at my hand, shall abide the law which was appointed for that blessing and the conditions thereof, as was instituted from before the foundation of the world; and as pertaining to the new and everlasting covenant, it was instituted for the fulness of my glory; and he that receiveth a fulness thereof, must and shall abide the law, or he shall be damned, saith the Lord God. ¶ And verily I say unto you, that the conditions of this law are these: all covenants, contracts, bonds, obligations, oaths, vows, performances, connections, associations, or expectations that are not made and entered into and sealed by the Holy Spirit of promise, of him who is anointed both as well for time and for all eternity, and that too most holy, by Revelation and commandment, through the medium of mine apostles whom I have appointed on the earth to hold this power, and I have appointed unto mine servants Joseph to hold this power in the last days, and there is none but on the earth at a time; and he who holds this power and the keys of this priesthood is empowered with efficiency, virtue or force, in and after the resurrection from the dead; for all contracts that are not made unto this end have an end when men are dead. ¶ Behold! mine house is a house of



order, saith the Lord God, and not a house of confusion,  
 Will I accept of an offering, saith the Lord, that is not made  
 in my name; or, will I receive at your hands, that which  
 I have not appointed, and will I appoint unto you, saith  
 the Lord, except it be by law, even as I and my Father  
 ordained unto you, before the world was, I am the Lord thy  
 God, and I give unto you this commandment, that no man  
 shall come unto the Father but by me, or by my word,  
 which is my law, saith the Lord; and every thing that  
 is in the world, whether it be ordained of men, by thrones,  
 or principalities, or powers, or things of name, whatsoever  
 they may be, that are not by me or by my word, saith the  
 Lord, shall be thrown down, and shall not remain after  
 men are dead, neither in nor after the resurrection,  
 saith the Lord your God; For whatsoever things remaineth  
 are by me; and whatsoever things are not by me, shall be  
 shaken and destroyed. Therefore, if a man marry him a wife  
 in the world, and he marry her not by <sup>my</sup> word; and  
 he covenant with her, so long as he is in the world, and she  
 with him, their covenant and marriage is not of force when  
 they are dead, and when they are out of the world; therefore,  
 they are not bound by any law when they are out of the  
 world; therefore, when they are out of the world, they neither  
 marry nor are given in marriage, but are appointed angels  
 in heaven, which angels are ministering servants to ministers  
 for those, who are worthy of a far more, and an exceeding, and  
 an eternal weight of glory; for these angels did not abide  
 my law, therefore they cannot be enlarged, but remain  
 separately and singly without exaltation in their saved condition  
 to all eternity, and from henceforth are not Gods, but are  
 angels of God for ever and ever.

Third again, verily I say unto you, if a man marry a wife,  
 and make a covenant with her for time and for all eternity, if  
 that covenant is not by me, or by my word, which is my law,  
 and is not sealed by the Holy Spirit of promise, through him  
 whom I have appointed and appointed unto this power, then it  
 is not valid, neither of force when they are out of the world,



because they are not joined by me, saith the Lord, neither  
 by my word, when they are out of the world, it cannot  
 be received thither, because the angels and the Gods are appointed  
 there, by whom they cannot pass, they cannot, therefore,  
 inherit my glory, for my house is a house of order saith the  
 Lord God, ~~And~~ again, verily, I say unto you, if a man marry  
 a wife by my word, which is my law, and by the new and  
 everlasting covenant, and it is sealed unto them by the Holy Spirit  
 of promise, by him who is anointed, unto whom I have  
 appointed this power, and the Keys of this priesthood, and it  
 shall be said unto them ye shall come forth in the first resurrect-  
 ion; and if it be after the first resurrection, in the next resurrection,  
 and shall inherit thrones, Kingdoms, principalities, and powers,  
 dominions, all heights and depths, then shall it be written in the  
 Lamb's book of life, that he shall commit no murder, whereby  
 to shed innocent blood; and if ye abide in my Covenant, and commit  
 no murder, whereby to shed innocent blood, it shall be done unto  
 them in all things, whatsoever my Decret shall put upon them,  
 in time and through all eternity; and shall be of full force  
 when they are out of the world, and they shall pass by the angels,  
 and the Gods which are set there to their exaltation and glory in  
 all things, as hath been sealed upon their heads, which glory  
 shall be a fullness and a continuation of the seeds for ever and  
 ever, ~~When~~ shall they be Gods, because they have no end,  
 therefore, shall they be from everlasting to everlasting, because  
 they continue, then shall they be above all, because all things  
 are subject unto them. When shall they be Gods because  
 they have all power, and the angels are subject unto them.  
 Verily, verily, I say unto you, except ye abide my Law, ye  
 cannot attain to this glory, for strait is the Gate, and narrow  
 the way, that leadeth unto the exaltation and continuation of  
 the life, and few there be that find it, because ye  
 receive me not in the world, neither do ye know me. But  
 if ye receive me in the world, then shall ye know me, and  
 shall receive your exaltation, that where I am, ye shall be also.  
 This is eternal life, <sup>know</sup> to the only wise and true God, and Jesus  
 Christ whom he hath sent, I am He. Receive ye, therefore, my



law. Broad is the gate, and wide the way that leadeth to the death, and many there are that go in thereat, because they receive me not, neither do they abide my law; Verily, verily I say unto you, if <sup>a</sup> man marry a wife according to my words, and they are sealed by the Holy Spirit of promise, according to mine appointment, and he or she shall commit any sin or transgression of the new and everlasting covenant ~~whatsoever~~, and all manner of blasphemies, and if they commit no murder, wherein they shed innocent blood, yet they shall come forth in the first resurrection, and enter into their exaltation; but they shall be destroyed in ~~the~~ the flesh, and shall be delivered unto the buffeting of Satan unto the day of redemption, saith the Lord God. ¶ The blasphemy against the Holy Ghost, which shall not be forgiven in the world, nor out of the world, is in that ye commit murder, wherein ye shed innocent blood, and assent unto my death, after ye have received my new and everlasting covenant, saith the Lord God; and he that abideth not this law, can ~~in no wise enter into my glory~~, but shall be damned, saith the Lord. ¶ I am the Lord thy God, and will give unto thee the Law of my Holy priesthood, as was ordained by me and my Father before the world was, Abraham received ~~all~~ all things, whatsoever he received, by Revelation and Commandment, by my word, saith the Lord, and hath entered in to his exaltation, and sitteth upon his throne. ¶ Abraham received promises concerning his seed, and of the fruit of his loins, from whose loins ye are, viz: my servant Joseph, which were to continue so long as they were in the world; and as touching Abraham and his seed out of the world, they should continue, both in the world and out of the world should they continue as unnumerable as the stars; or if ye were to count the sand upon the sea shore, ye could not number them, this promise is yours also, because ye are of Abraham, and the promise was made unto Abraham, and by this law are the continuation of the works of my Father wherein he gloryfieth himself. Go ye, therefore, and do the works of Abraham; enter ye into my law, and ye shall be saved. But if ye enter not into my law, ye cannot receive the promises of my Father, which he made unto



Abraham. ¶ God commanded Abraham, and Sarah gave Hagar to Abraham to wife; and why did she do it? Because this was the law, and from Hagar sprang many people. This therefore, was fulfilling, among other things, the promises. Was Abraham, therefore, under condemnation? Verily, I say unto you, Nay, for if the Lord commanded it. Abraham was commanded to offer his son Isaac; nevertheless, it was written, Thou shalt not kill; Abraham however, did not refuse, and it was accounted unto him for righteousness. ¶ Abraham received concubines, and they bare him children, and it was accounted unto him for righteousness, because they were given unto him, and he abode in my law as Isaac also, and Jacob did none other things, than that which they were commanded; and because they did none other things, than that which they were commanded, they have entered in to their exaltation according to the promises, and sit upon thrones; and are not angels, but are Gods. David also received many wives and concubines, as also Solomon, and others my servants; as also many others of my servants from the beginning of creation, untill this time; and in nothing did they sin, save in those things which they received not of me. ¶ David's wives and concubines were given unto him, of me, by the hand of Nathan my servant, and others of the prophets who had the keys of this power; and in none of these things did he sin against me, save in the case of Uriah and his wife, and, therefore, he hath fallen from his exaltation, and received his portion, and he shall not inherit them out of the world; for I gave them unto another, saith the Lord. ¶ I am the Lord, thy God, and I have unto thee, my servant Joseph, an appointment, and restore all things; ask what ye will and it shall be given unto you, according to my word; and as ye have asked concerning adultery, Verily, verily I say unto you, if a man receiveth a wife in the new and everlasting covenant, and if she be with another man, and I have not appointed unto her by the holy anointing, she hath committed adultery, and shall be destroyed. If she be not in the new and everlasting covenant, and she be with another man, she has committed adultery; and if her husband be with another woman, and he was under a vow, he hath broken his vow, and



hath committed adultery; and if she hath not committed adultery,  
but is innocent, and hath not broken her vow, and she knoweth  
it, and I reveal it unto you, my servant Joseph, then shall  
you have power by the power of my Holy Priesthood to  
take her, and give her unto him that hath not committed  
adultery, but hath been faithful; for he shall be made  
ruler over many; for I have conferred upon you the Keys  
and power of the Priesthood, wherein I restore all things,  
and make known unto you all things in due time.

And verily, verily I say unto you, that whatsoever you seal  
on earth shall be sealed in heaven, and whatsoever  
you bind on earth in my name, and by my word, saith the  
Lord, it shall be eternally bound in the heavens; and  
whosoever sins you remit on earth, shall be remitted  
eternally in the heavens; and whosoever sins you retain  
on earth, shall be retained in heaven.

And again, verily I say, Whomsoever you bless, I will  
bless; and whomsoever you curse, I will curse, saith the  
Lord, for I the Lord am thy God.

And again, verily I say unto you, my servant Joseph, that  
whatsoever you give on earth, and to whomsoever you give  
any one on earth, by my word, and according to my law, it  
shall be visited with blessings, and not with cursings, and with  
my power saith the Lord, and shall be without condemna-  
tion on earth and in heaven; for I am the Lord thy God,  
and will be with thee even unto the end of the world, and  
through all eternity. For verily, I seal upon you, your  
exaltation, and prepare a throne for you in the Kingdom of  
my Father, with Abraham your Father. Behold, I have  
seen your sacrifices, and will forgive all your sins; I  
have seen your sacrifices in obedience to that which I  
have told you; Go, therefore, and I make a way for your  
escape, as I accepted the offering of Abraham, of his  
son Isaac. Verily I say unto you, a commandment I  
give unto mine handmaid, Emma Smith, your wife, whom  
I have given unto you, that she stay herself and partake  
not of that which I commanded you to offer unto her.



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For I did it, saith the Lord, to prove you all, as I did  
 Abraham; and that I might require an offering at your hands  
 by covenant and sacrifice: and let mine handmaid, Emma  
 Smith, receive all those that have been given unto my  
 servant Joseph, and <sup>and have say they were pure,</sup> who are virtuous and pure before me;  
 And those who are not pure, shall be destroyed, saith the Lord  
 God. For I am the Lord thy God; and ye shall obey my  
 voice; and I give unto my servant Joseph, that he  
 shall be made ruler over many things, for he hath  
 been faithful over a few things, and from hencefo-  
 rth I will strengthen him, and I command mine hand-  
 maid, Emma Smith, to abide and cleave unto my servant  
 Joseph; and to none else; But if she will not abide this  
 commandment, she shall be destroyed, saith the Lord; for  
 I am the Lord thy God, and will destroy her, if she abide  
 not in my law; but if she will not abide this comma-  
 ndment, then shall my servant, Joseph, do all things for her,  
 even as he hath said, and I will bless him, and multiply him,  
 and give unto him an hundred fold in this world, of fathers  
 and mother, brothers and sisters, houses and lands,  
 wives and children, and crowns of eternal lives in the  
 eternal worlds. And again, verily I say, unto you let  
 mine handmaid forgive my servant Joseph his trespasses,  
 and then shall she be forgiven her trespasses, wherein  
 she hath trespassed against me, and the Lord thy God  
 will bless her, and multiply her, and make her heart to  
 rejoice. And again I say let not my servant Joseph  
 put his property out of his hands, lest an enemy come  
 and destroy him, for Satan seeketh to destroy; For I am  
 the Lord thy God, and he is my servant; and behold! and lo,  
 I am with him, as I was with Abraham, thy Father,  
 even unto his exaltation and glory. Now as touching the  
 law of the priesthood, there are many things pertaining  
 thereto. Verily, if a man be called of my Father, as was  
 Aaron, by mine own voice, and by the voice of him  
 that sent me, and I have endowed him with the keys of the  
 power of this priesthood, if he do any thing in my name,



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and according to my law, and by my word, he will  
not commit sin, and I will justify him. Let no one,  
therefore, set on my servant Joseph, for I will justify  
him, for he shall be as the sacrifice which I request  
at his hands, for his transgressions, saith the Lord your  
God. And again, as pertaining to the law of the priest hood, if any man shall have a  
wife, and she have vowed to no other man, then is he justified; he cannot commit  
adultery, for they are given unto him; for he cannot commit adultery with that, that  
belongeth unto him, & to none else; & if he have ten virgins given <sup>unto</sup> him by ~~this~~ this  
law, he cannot commit adultery, for they belong to him, & they are given unto him,  
therefore, <sup>is he justified,</sup> But if one, or either of the ten virgins, after she is espoused, shall be with  
another man, she has committed adultery, & shall be destroyed; for they are given unto  
him to multiply & replenish the earth, according to my commandment, & to fulfill the  
promise which was given by my father before the foundation of the world; & for their  
exaltation in the eternal world, that they may <sup>bear</sup> the souls of men, for herein is  
the work of my father continued, that he may be glorified. And again, verily, verily I  
say unto you, if any man have a wife, who holds the keys of this power, she teaches  
unto him the law of my priesthood as pertaining to these things, then shall she believe  
& administer unto him, or she shall be destroyed, saith the Lord your God; for I will  
destroy her, for I will magnify my name upon all those who receive & abide in  
my law. Therefore, it shall be lawful in me, if she receive not this law, for  
him to receive all things, whatsoever I the Lord, his God, will give unto him,  
because she did not believe & administer unto him according to my word; &  
she then becomes the transgressor, & he is exempt from the law of Sarah, who  
administered unto Abraham according to the law, when I commanded Abraham  
to take Hagar to wife. And now, as pertaining to this law, verily, verily I say unto  
you, I will reveal more unto you hereafter; therefore, let this suffice for  
the present. Behold, I am alpha & Omega: Amen.



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